

WDE Assessment Updates

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2013 PAWS Cut Scores:

Below are tables with information on the 2013 cut scores for PAWS (in place since 2006 for reading and math, and 2008 for science) and the new cut scores for the ACT. Per our program plan, the cut scores for the 2014 PAWS will be reset in early summer. Cuts for the ACT will be reviewed with impact data following the 2014 test.

Proficiency Level Ranges for Grades 3-8 Mathematics

Grade	Below Basic	Basic	Proficient	Advanced
3	557 and lower	558-599	600-679	680 and higher
4	583 and lower	584-619	620-697	698 and higher
5	606 and lower	607-644	645-720	721 and higher
6	631 and lower	632-662	663-740	741 and higher
7	652 and lower	653-686	687-757	758 and higher
8	675 and lower	676-705	706-776	777 and higher

Proficiency Level Ranges for Grades 3-8 Reading

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Grade	Below Basic	Basic	Proficient	Advanced
3	519 and lower	520-583	584-660	661 and higher
4	569 and lower	570-633	634-699	700 and higher
5	586 and lower	587-638	639-706	707 and higher
6	593 and lower	594-649	650-717	718 and higher
7	609 and lower	610-667	668-745	746 and higher
8	623 and lower	624-675	676-748	749 and higher

Proficiency Level Ranges for Grades 4, 8 Science

Grade	Below Basic	Basic	Proficient	Advanced
4	611 and lower	612-665	666-725	726 and higher
8	605 and lower	606-653	654-713	714 and higher

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ACT Cut Scores and Proficiency Levels, 2013 (revised)				
	Reading	Math	Science	
Basic	12	14	14	
Proficient	16	17	20	
Advanced	25	25	25	

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ACT Inc. Instructional Support Workshop UPDATE

The ACT Inc. Instructional Support Workshop has been delayed until later October due to the recent availability of more specific and granular data. This is exciting news for the enrichment of this workshop so please continue to watch for dates, times, and locations.

For any questions or clarification please contact Jessica Steinbrenner at jessica.steinbrenner@wyo.gov or at 307-777-8568.

COMPASS Comparability Study

Reminder: ACT is inviting its customers to participate in a comparability study, which will take place from October 21, 2013, to November 8, 2013.

To learn more and register for the study, go to: Compass Comparability Study

If you have questions, please call ACT Compass Customer Services at 800.645.1992, option 4, or email COMPASSCustomerServices@act.org.

Hidden Resources At Your Fingertips: How to Uncover Rich, Free Text Collections On Any Topic At Any Level!

Wednesday, October 9, 2013, 3:00-4:00 EDT

View information and register <u>here</u>.

This webinar will focus on how teachers, parents and librarians can access hundreds of millions of articles, encyclopedia excerpts and websites that have been measured and received Lexile text measures. Meredith Liben, Director of Literacy and English Language Arts at Student Achievement Partners and Kathy Mansfield, Kentucky DOE Library Media and Textbook Consultant will provide an overview of resources available through state online databases and how to use these resources to support improved student achievement.

Important Upcoming Dates:

Aug. 15 - Nov. 30 -- Fall MAP Window

Week of Sep. 30 -- ACT Test Center Establishment Packets out to schools

Oct. 7 - 25 -- Fall COMPASS Window

Oct. 21 - Nov. 8 -- COMPASS Comparability Study